MRS. PEPPER MARRIED AGAIN

SPOOK MEDIUM'S HUSBAND IS ONLY 28 YEARS HER SENIOR.

Edward Ward Vanderbilt Is His Name and the Bride Declares He's a Cousin of "the Old Commedere"-Marriage a Secret, Even Little Bright Eyes Fooled.

Brooklyn's spook zone in the Bedford district was all stirred up yesterday over the announcement that Bishop Mary Ann Scannell, otherwise known as May S. Pepper, had taken a husband-a real lying, breathing one, not an apparition. He is Edward Ward Vanderbilt, aged 65.

Most everybody but Little Bright Eyes, who sends messages to Mrs. Vanderbiltthat is, the Bishop-from the spirit world and a few of the medium's most intimate friends thought she sailed for Europe on April 30 after bidding an affectionate adieu at her church on Bedford avenue; but she fooled 'em. She's been in Brooklyn all the time getting ready to be married and picking up those little things that every bride ought to have.

The wedding came off last Saturday at high noon at the Bishop's new palace at 1837 St. Mark's avenue, which the Bishop says she bought and paid for with her own money. The bride sent out announcement ends yesterday.

Mrs. Pepper Vanderbilt was chary of details yesterday, just as any bashful bride might be on the news leaking out. There were only a few friends present, but a good many spirits are said to have sent nessages to the happy couple. Up to last night nothing had been heard from Little Bright Eyes as to how she enjoyed the The last time Mrs. Pepper got married back in 1899, Little Bright Eves got so mad that she never went near Mrs. Pepper for four years. Mrs. Pepper told the story herself afterward. That was an unfortunate marriage, as May owned up to Little Bright Eyes when she got a message from her and they had made up. It got her into all sorts of trouble, particularly hen George William Pepper, her husband come out and said that they hadn't been married at all, but just lived together even if May did have an alleged marriage

But all of Mrs. Pepper Vanderbilt's intimute friends are quite confident that this latest union of the medium and a mortal has the approval of Little Bright Eyes. Mrs. Vanderbilt is only twenty-eight years younger than Mr., by her own count, but there is no such thing as age in the spirit world and that wouldn't be apt to jar Little Bright Eyes for a minute. Little Bright Eves is just 18.

It had been passed quietly around among the folks who go to some of Little Bright Eyes's messages via Mrs. Pepper that old Mr Vanderbilt was in love with the Bishop so that it wasn't such a surprise after all For several years he had frequently waited after church for her and had seen her home and on that memorable occasion when Mrs. Pepper discovered that her house had been entered and robbed by burglarsspooky ones, the police thought-it was Mr. Vanderbilt who led the excited throng from the church to the rescue.

Mr. Vanderbilt is a lumber merchant at 12th Liberty street and is said to be wealthy. Before he moved to his bride's house he lived at 197 Waverly avenue. He also has a summer place at Centre Moriches, L. I His first wife died three years ago.

Vanderbilts," said He looks just like the his bride yesterday. "He's a real one, all right. His father and the old Commodore had adjoining places down on Staten Island and were cousins. There's his picture, in you'd like to see it."

The bride pointed to what looked like a large crayon in a frame hanging in her library, but the room was dark and kind of spooky and the reporter couldn't examine

carefully.
"We were married on Saturday right here A. Brooklose. He's the minister of a German Congregational Church in Manhattan. Yes, it was the regular Congregational ceremony—very simple. The guests were, let me see," meditatively, "Miss Edith Hills, Miss Hattie Scannell, Mrs. Carrie A. Spink—you know, the Mrs. Spink that runs the brink depring academy at Providence. It you know, the Mrs. Spink that runs the Spink dancing academy at Providence. It was there that young John D. Rockefeller met Miss Aldrich and they fell in love. Let me see, where was I? Oh, Mrs. Carrie A. Spink and Judge and Mrs. Abram Dailey. That's all. Just a few friends. After the ceremony we went away for a few days on a quiet honeymoon. We are going on a longer one a week from next Wednesday when we sail for Europe to be gone until September."

Just here the reporter interrupted to ask the strictly professional if somewhat hackneyed question of how the bride came to meet the bridegroom, a point which Mrs. Vanderbilt had omitted. "Well, you see, Mrs. Vanderbilt—the first Mrs. Vanderbilt—a short time before she

died began to come to my meetings and was very much interested. Then when his wife died three years ago Mr. Vanderbilt continued to come Did the spirits have anything to do with

'No," said the bride, "they had nothing We've been engaged for some time." The reporter suggested to the Bishop that possibly Mrs. Vanderbilt had talked with her

and had had something to do with the match. The bride evidently did not like

the suggestion.
"I have never received any message from
Mrs. Vanderbilt's spirit since she passed
beyond," she said in a tone that forbade
further discussion of what appeared to be a
delicate matter. It was getting very dark
in the library and the reporter felt a bit
nervous.

"Were you engaged for some time?" he said into the darkness.
"Yes," came back to him, as though from a great distance. There was a rustling of something then, but it proved to be only the medium, who had arisen as a signal that the ord of the intender. that the end of the interview was drawing

"We are going to spend the summer in "We are going to spend the summer in psychical research in London, Paris and Russia," said the medium, as her interviewer moved toward the door. "I have given up my church. They are trying to get me to return in the fall, but I don't think that I will. I have been enough in public life, I feel. Now I am going to retire nto private life. I feel that I shall like it better. That is why my marriage is so guiet."

The reporter ventured to ask where the bridegroom was.
I believe he is in the house," said the

Bishop.

Just then the voice of her sister came

Up from below.

"Alphonese," it said, "please see that Mr. Vanderbilt's bag is packed."

On the way out the reporter asked the sister if Mr. Vanderbilt was going away.

"Yes, he is going away from here for a few days," she said.

few days," she said.

There was no sign of Mr. Vanderbilt about the house.

Over in the office building at 126 Liberty street Mr. Vanderbilt's marriage to the medium created no end of discussion when a reporter took the news of it there. Mr. Vanderbilt had just left. When the janitor heard of it he called out to one of the girl stepographers:

enographers: "Say, old Mr. Vanderbilt's married that

"Say, old Mr. Vanderbilt's married that Brooklyn medium."

Mr. Vanderbilt has had his office in the building for years and years. His firm used to be Vanderbilt & Hopkins, dealers in railroad tice and other kinds of lumber.

"He's a smart old man and as spry as they make 'em," said the elevator man. "I knew he was interested in the church over there and had been giving money to it."

Mrs. Mary Ann Scannell Pepper Vanderbilt's first husband, who says he wasn't

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her husband, still lives in this city. His name is George William Pepper. Two years ago in the course of one of the "investigations" of Mrs. Pepper her history was looked up and it was declared that she had been a dairymaid, in Rhode Island and that her name was Mary Scannell. According to the story published at that time she met Pepper and the two went to New Bedford and lived together, Pepper leaving behind a wife and several children. Pepper subsequently married another woman and then his first wife charged him with bigamy. In connection with that case the medium, now Mrs. Vanderbilt, made an affidavit that she had never been his legal wife, but she said that she had done so to get him out of trouble. She said that they had been regularly married in New York city in 1889 by a Justice of the Peace, she supposing he had been divorced from his first wife. It was this marriage that Liltte Bright Eyes It was this marriage that Liltte Bright Eyes

THOMAS NOT AFTER CROKER.

In London on Theatrical Business Only -For Bryan and Referendum.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, June 4 .- Augustus Thomas denies that his visit to London is for any other purpose than the rehearing of "The Earl of Pawtucket," A story reached the correspondent of The Sun that Mr. Thomas while in England would, as president of the Progressive Democracy League, try to get Mr. Croker's cooperation in supporting the league's Bryan propaganda, but this Mr. Thomas absolutely contradicts. He said to the correspondent of THE SUN to-night:

"My visit is purely theatrical. I have no intention of seeing Mr. Croker. In fact, such a thought never entered my mind. When I return to New Yorkwhich will be at the end of June-I will undoubtedly take up an active interest in the league which is more an educational body than a political one, although we are earnestly supporting the candidacy of Mr. Bryan, because he stands for our platform of initiative and referendum, and the election of Senators by popular

"The interference of President Roosevelt in legislative matters simply points out the need of reform. If the President has to usurp the prerogatives of the coordinate branch in order to make the Legislators do their duty, it shows that those legislators ought to be more directly controlled by the people, be more answerable to them, and that the people should have a more direct interest in legislation by initiative and referendum."

PROOF AGAINST R. R. ACCIDENTS. Boy Falls Off One Train and Is Hit by An-

other-Not Much Hurt. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, June 4 .- A five-year-old boy fell

to-day from a train that was running near Twyford. He was not hurt and ran to rejoin the train, which his father in the mean time had had stopped.

Before the boy reached the train an express passed along the parallel track upon which the youngster was running and knocked him down, passing over him. The boy immediately rose and continued running to meet his father.

His head was cut and streaming blood, but he was not seriously hurt.

EDNA MAY IS MRS. LEWISOHN. Actress Wedded in Registry Office at Windsor, England.

Special Cable Despuich to THE SUN. LONDON, June 4.-Edna May was married o Oscar Lewisohn at 10 o'clock this morning in the Registry Office, Windsor

The bride was dressed entirely in white even to white shoes. Her hat, which was of the newest mushroom shape, was trimmed with white tulle and Easter lilies. The bridegroom wore a frock coat with white

Oscar Lewisohn is a younger brother of Jesse Lewisohn. He is about 25 years old and is a graduate of Harvard. Since his graduation he has spent most of his time, up to a year ago, in travelling. The last year he spent in laying siege to the heart of Edna May, with such success that not only did she consent to marry him "after months of consideration," as she remarked the other day, but became a Jewess for his

Mrs. Lewisohn was born in Syracuse. N. Y., in 1875. Her maiden name was Edna May Petty and she was the daughter of a letter carrier. She made her first appearance on the stage when she was 7 years old in a children's performance of "Pinafore" at Syracuse. Later she came to New York to study for the stage and married Frederick to study for the stage and married Frederick Titus, a professional bicycle rider. This marriage lasted until 1804. She made her first stage appearance in New York as Clairette, a minor part in the opera "Santa Maria," at Hammerstein's. Her hit, which made her a musical comedy star, was achieved in "The Belle of New York." Since then she has appeared in New York and London in many similar productions. In London she was a prime favorite.

The Weather.

The storm off the New England coast on Monday had disappeared yesterday morning and the weather was fair along the entire Atlantic coast and in the east Gulf States.

The disturbances in the West consolidated with a

centre over southern Lake Michigan and were causing rain in Minnesota, the Lake regions and the Ohio Valley and cloudy conditions as far south as the middle and west Gulf sections and east into the Atlantic States.

West of the Mississippi Valley the weather was

are a mention uncoupled with any adverse criticism. This, of course, was not an extreme case, but it seemed to us that its effect on the readers of the Iadies' Home Journal would not be a good one, and we expressed ourselves accordingly in our letter." fair and the pressure high. The temperatures were higher in almost all districts in the eastern half of the country, except in the upper Mississippi Valley and the upper Lake The more marked advances were in the ection from the middle and lower Mississippi Valley northeast to the middle Atlantic coast. light to fresh northeast: average humidity, 49 pe nt.: barometer corrected to read to sea level

at 5 A. M., 29.97; 8 P. M. 29.96 mcial thermometer is shown in the annexed table

For Eastern New York, showers to-day, warmer on the coast, cooler in north portion; to-morrow, fair, cot inued cool fresh to brisk southwest winds. For New Engiand, showers to-day, cooler in northwest portion; fair to-morrow; brisk southwest to west winds on the south coast.

WARRINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

For Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Dela-ForWestern New York, showers and cooler to-day; fair to-morrow, fresh west to southwest winds.

For Western Pennsylvania, fair and cooler to-day;
fair to-morrow, fresh west winds.

BAN ON HEROES WHO DRINK

MRS. MARTIN SAYS THE W. C. T. U. IS REFORMING PUBLISHERS.

Heroines of Course Are Included in Their Ruling, but a Soused Villain Should Be Good Example—She Has No Idea of Editing the Rum Out of the Classics.

It is perhaps not generally known that in these United States of America there exists and flourishes an Index Expurgatorius that for scope, length, breadth, farreachingness, allinclusiveness and working overtime makes a similar institution at Rome look like a feeble imitation.

Mrs. Emelie D. Martin, who for fifteen years has been managing and developing the home product, increasing the power and adding to the influence thereof and incidentally acting as general press agent, consented yesterday to answer a few questions concerning the origin, growth and present condition of this potent factor in our civilization.

Of course, she isn't pushing it along just for her own amusement. All she has done is under the auspices of the Woman's Chris-

tian Temperance Union. "No. I am not chairman of the committee on literature and art," she said. "I am much more than that. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union have appointed me superintendent of that department for the whole United States. Every State, Territory, county and city is so thoroughly organized that I can, at an instant's notice, put my finger on the work of any committee. meet my committees, however, only once year, in convention. Last year they assembled at Hartford."

"But what do you do?" "Do? Why, by our influence we are having excluded from the public libraries books in which the hero and heroine drink or use tobacco in any form."

"But why----"Why? It is strange that you should ask such a question. As a man thinks so he is. The young are influenced by the books they read. We should be short-sighted, indeed, if while working with all our strength against the liquor traffic we made no effort to stop the circulation of literature which exalts the indulgence of the very vice which we are trying to stamp

Asked whether all the characters in novel that escaped the Index must abstain from the use of alcohol and tobacco or whether these restrictions applied only to the hero and heroine, she smiled and

"Now that is a good question as it involves a point I would like to have noticed. If vices are mentioned at all in a work of fiction we countenance they must belong to the villain.

"Right here I would like to say that librarians have informed us that the foreigners read a much higher class of literature than do the Americans. This is undoubtedly because in other countries literature is censored and the people consequently acquire a taste for the better sort

"It is also true that more crime is committed in New York than anywhere else. "But aren't most of the criminals for

eigners? The guardian of the Index looked puzzled for a moment, then she brightened

"Well, at any rate they find the débris

A gleam of admiration shone in the superintendent's eyes and her smile was

ery tender as she replied:
"The Ladies' Home Journal has always

had a lofty moral standard, and we like to give a magazine full credit for what it

"Then you never have had occasion to communicate with that publication at all?" "Well," admitted the censor reluctantly,

we did write to the editor not so year lo

ago. It was about a comparatively trifling matter. In one of 'Brother's' letters to

his sister, a series of which were published

in that magazine, mention is made of an occasion on which some of the young man's friends partook of some alcoholic bever-

"Did ——?"
"We received a most courteous reply."

"I cannot reveal any part of a confidential

correspondence. You must judge by re-sults. I would like to have it clearly understood, however, that our letter was

ot in the nature of an attack upon Mr. Bok, or whose ideals and methods we have the

highest respect.

"By the way, did you know that fully half of the United States have declared in favor of prohibition?"

"Why, I thought that only two or three—"
"I don't mean half of the individual States." said the censor indulgently. "I mean half of the territory. Sometimes several counties of a State or several townships pass prohibition laws, although the State as a whole is not what is called 'prohibition."

"I will tell you something else. There are more saloons in Greater New York than in the entire South."
"Really."
"Really."
Then Mrs. Martin said she positively

could not answer any more que

*But did he promise

highest respect,

"What kind of debris?" "Why literary débris, of course. "Do you try to influence publishers not

o publish books which allude highly to drinking and smoking?" "Try to? Why we have already done-so. It is quite obvious to every thinking person

that the tone of the books that are brought out is steadily improving."

The censor of literature went on to explain that the "influence on publishers" was obtained in two ways—first by appealing

to them directly, and secondly, by training the general public sentiment to demand only the best in the book line. She and her committees were always well treated and always went away from prominent publishers loaded down with

promises regarding the elision of liquor from the forthcoming "best sellers." As for magazine editors, what she said of them established beyond all doubt the Recorder remembered, was placed very near the wires of his telephone. Later, however, it was found that the "fuse" was a slow match, which could not have set off the powder unless it was ignited.

The police figured out that the intention of the dynamiters evidently was to fix the free end of the small wire around the telephone receiver, so that any one lifting the

of them established beyond all doubt the fact that each and every one of them had been perfectly lovely. They had all been approached, too—even the "big four"—and the newspapers hadn't been neglected, or neglectful. In addition to giving the "columns and columns of space" seven hundred of them had agreed to exclude advertisements of liquor and patent medicines from their advertising columns.

"A prominent London daily which used to be called broad' and had its pages filled with advertisements of wines and liquors has informed us that since excluding all such matter its circulation has doubled."

"How about Scott and Dickens and Shakespeare? Didn't their heroes and

"How about Scott and Dickens and Shakespeare? Didn't their heroes and heroines partake of intoxicante?"

"That is quite a different matter, said the censor with dignity "A much higher moral tone pervades the classics than is found in the light literature of the day."

"But if drinking is countenanced by George Eliot and Thaokeray and Bulwer Lytton, and you don't object to their works

George Eliot and Thackeray and Bulwer Lytton, and you don't object to their works being read, why should the mention of it be forbidden to Mrs. Humphry Ward and Marie Corelli and Laura Jean Libby?"

The censor sighed. "You don't understand," she murmured sadly. "However, it doesn't matter. We are not concerning according to the past. We are looking

stand," she murmured sady. "However, it doesn't matter. We are not concerning ourselves about the past. We are looking to the future. What is printed is printed. It is for us to see that what is printed in the future is above reproach."

"Have you"—the question was propounded timidly—"ever approached the Ladies' Home Journal?" and including two or three murders. A year ago last March an Italian named Mascec killed another Italian at a dance, and shot a woman who accompanied he man he killed. A little before that an Italian named

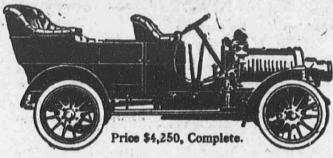
In New Durham are two factories which make fireworks. Both employ a large num-ber of Italians. Capt. Marcy thinks that the bomb was rigged up and placed by some of these employees. There are about 2,000 Italians in North Bergen township.

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KENNELL OF NEW DURHAM AP-PARENTLY HAS A CLOSE SHAVE.

His Daughter Finds a Contrivance in His Office Which Proves to Have Been Dangerous-Had Been Threatened by Italians With Whom He'd Been Severe.

Recorder Joseph Kennel of New Durham. N. J. is wondering whether he is the victim of a practical joker or has had a narrow escape from being a real Black Hand victim Some one sent him a sure enough bomb vesterday, and the only question is whether the thing had a business end and could have been exploded. The Recorder pects that some of the Italians whose friends he has sentenced for knife carrying were trying to get even.

Recorder Kennel has his office in his hous at the Hackensack plank road and Washington street, New Durham. Yesterday afternoon his sister Matilda was dusting th office when she came upon a queer looking bundle which looked like some sort of a can wrapped in a paper. She couldn't make out just what the thing was and called in the

Recorder. He looked into the bundle and found what looked to be a fuse. He decided not to investigate further just then and called up Captain Marcy at the North Bergen police headquarters. He told the captain of the find and asked him to come down and in-

"Bring the darn thing up here, I'm too busy to come down just now," replied the

captain. The Recorder picked up the package and carried it gingerly over the one and a half miles of rocky road that leads from his

miles of rocky road that leads from his house to the police station.

At the station house Capt. Marcy looked on while the Recorder got out his jack-knife and cut the corn around the bundle. The papers didn't come apart easily and the Recorder did some wild jabbing with the knife, the recollection of which made him quite uneasy a little later.

Inside the wrappings was a roll of oiled paper, which was found to contain a greasy, sootlike powder. The whole contrivance divested of the wrappings looked very much like a toy Fourth of July bomb.

Chief of Police James Nolan came in just as the bomb was unwrapped. He was appointed May 1 and he was burning to show detective ability.

"I'll soon find out what it is," said he, and taking out a pinch of the powder he laid it on the desk and touched it off with a match. He says that that pinch of powder made a sound like a one pounder and that the Recorder turned quite pale after the demonstration. The room was filled with blue smoke.

"I guess it's nitro or some such stuff," said the chief when he got his breath. "God

blue smoke.

"I guess it's nitro or some such stuff," said the chief when he got his breath. "God help us if I'd lighted the whole business. It looks to me like a bomb and a big one. Further investigation of the bomb showed

three feet of insulated wire attached to a three inch fuse, which was buried in the powder. The free end of the wire, the Recorder remembered, was placed very

phone receiver, so that any one lifting the receiver would fire a spark that would explode the bomb, or that such a wire had been fixed to the receiver and had dropped

After discussing what might have hap-pened if the Recorder had stumbled on the rocky road to Police Headquarters, the Captain and Chief put the bomb carefully away in a drawer in the station he They decided to unload the thing poured the powder into a cigar box w

was filled quite to the top. They intend to have the stuff analyzed.

The contrivance had been in the office The contrivance had been in the omce for several days Judge Kennel holds court in the City Hall and seldom uses the office except in Justice of the Peace cases, but apparently the people who had a grudge against him didn't know about this. The servanc girl who swept out the office last Saturday said she didn't notice the con-traction, and polydy has been in the office traption, and nobody has been in the office

for several days.

Judge Kennel has been Recorder for two years and a half and a Justice of the Peace for four years. In that time he has committed hearly 100 Italians for crimes of one sort or another, mostly stabbing cases and including two or three murders. A year Rilled. A little before that an Irahan hamed Bianco stabled a compatriot to death near New Durham and was arraigned before Judge Kennel. There was a good deal of feeling among the Italian population of North Bergen Township over these cases and, so Judge Kennel's friends say, threats were made against the Judge.

were made against the Judge.

Six months ago Judge Kennel received a Black Hand letter, decorated with skull and bones, dripping dagger, Black Hand and other devices. The letter advised him and other devices. The fetter advised him to beware, as he was known to be an enemy of the Italians and they would take vengeance on him. Before that he was called up on the telephone by a man who spoke with a pronounced accent. The talker threatened Judge Kennel with death because of his attacks on Italians. is attacks on Italians.

and save time and

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FRENCH SEAMEN HOLD OUT. Refuse to Accept Concessions and End Strike-May Be Trouble in Havre.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PARIS, June 4.- The striking naval reervists have not acted upon the advice of their delegates here to end the strike. Pourparlers continue at Paris.

ounces that as a result of interviews with M. Thomson, Minister of Marine, it will annul the dismissal of its striking officers. The men at Dunkirk voted to end the trike, but those at Nantes, Cherbourg, St. Nazaire, Havre and Toulon strongly favor its continuance until a pension of \$120 annually is promised to them. Mar-

The General Transatlantic Company an-

seilles, which takes the lead in maritime matters, has not yet given its decision. The steamer Isly left Marseilles to-day with civil officers and navvemen as the crew Six vessels reached that port this morning, including the steamer Madonna, from New York. Al the crews left as soon as

they arrived. Trouble is expected at Havre when the Hamburg-American Line steamer arrives there to take the French line's passengers and freight.

It was announced in New York yesterday that the French liner La Provence, which has been held up four days at Havre by the strike of the French sailors, would sail to-day for this port, and probably arrive on Tuesday next. She is scheduled to sail hence on her return trip on Thursday, June 18, and Paul Faguet, the New York agent of the line, declares that she will certainly do so. Mr. Faguet said that La Provence will have aboard about the normal number of early June passengers coming west, and the usual cargo of the season. She will discharge in a hurry and take aboard in a rush about 1.000 tons for Havre and all passengers booked to go in her

ITALY REDUCING ARMAMENT.

Practical Effect of Cut in Appropriations for Guns and Forts by Parliament Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Rous, June 4.- A parliamentary commission has refused to recommend the appropriation of \$40,000,000 asked by the War Office for the reorganization of the artillery and for fortifications. Instead it recommends a grant of \$6,000,000 for artillery, provided the guns required are furnished by Italian factories, and \$6,000,000 for fortifications.

The commission's refusal is significant as it amounts, practically, to a reduction of armament on the eve of the meeting

of the Hague conference.

"DON JUAN IN HELL." Talky Act of "Man and Superman" Tried en a London Audience.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, June 4.—"Don Juan in Hell," the third act of Shaw's "Man and Superman," which is always omitted when the play is presented, was produced separately to-night at the Court Theatre.

Its success was doubtful. A large part

of the audience and a majority of the critics were bored despite an excellent representation by a strong cast. The most striking feature was Robert Lorraine's astonishingly clever delivery of Juan's interminable speeches, to which

a universal tribute is paid as a triumph

of memory and elocution. DUMA FORBIDS COURTS-MARTIAL. Civilians Who Try to Win Soldiers to Revo

Intion Must Have Civil Trials. Special Cable Despatch to TWE STR. St. Petersburg, June 4.-The Duma has voted for the abolition of Premier Stolypin's law temporarily reestablishing field courts martial for the punishment of civilians implicated in spreading revolutionary ideas in the army. The Duma decided, only fifty voting in the negative, that the propagandists in such cases should be dealt with by civil law.

The vote is regarded as a repudiation of the Government's use of the army as a repressive police.

4.000 EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS. Terrible Catastrophe at Hsin Kiang, China -Many Starving.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN VICTORIA, B. C., June 4.—The steamship Shawmut has brought news of great loss of life following an earthquake at Hsin Kiang. A telegram received from Pekin at

Tokic shortly before the Shawmut sailed reported that 4,000 persons were crushed to death, a great number of houses destroyed and many persons left starving. The Empress Downger has telegraphed urgent instructions to the local governors

to take measures to relieve the distress ITALIAN MASTERS SOLD. Good Prices Realized at Sedelmeyer Sale

in Paris.

Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN. PARIS, June 4.-The following pictures were sold to-day at the Sedelmeyer art sale. bringing the prices given: Veneto's "Poet," \$9,200; Palmezzano's "Annunciation," \$3,900; Luini's "Young Girl," \$4,800; Berdone's "Portrait of a

Bellini's "Holy Family," \$2,200, and Botticelli's "Virgn and Child," \$1,200. The day was devoted to disposing of pictures of the Italian school. To-day's sale

Woman," \$2,700; Canaletto's "Rialto," \$2,200;

Leicester, Lawn Tennis Tournament Abandoned. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LEICESTER, England, June 4.- The lawn tennis tournament here has been abandoned, it being impossible to play on the courts owing to the rainy weather and sogginess of the ground. Miss May Sutton, the American player, has gone to Manchester to compete in the Northern championship

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The present Government professes unwillingness to express a decisive opinion on the question and is disposed to leave the existing benevolent agencies to look after the young offenders.

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The Lash to Check Attacks on White Women -Settlers Have Grievance. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN

LONDON, June 5 .- A despatch to the Daily Mail from Mombasa says that a native at Nairobi has been sentenced to five years imprisonment and to receive twenty-four ashes for an attempted assault upon the daughter of a European missionary.

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